- (1) Must be durable, in English and printed on or affixed to the surface of a package or on a label, tag, or sign.
- (2) Must be displayed on a background of sharply contrasting color;
- (3) Must be unobscured by labels or attachments; and
- (4) Must be located away from any other marking (such as advertising) that could substantially reduce its effectiveness.
  - (b) [Reserved]

[Amdt. 172–29, 41 FR 15996, Apr. 15, 1976, as amended by Amdt. 172–29B, 41 FR 57067, Dec. 30, 1976]

## §172.306 [Reserved]

## § 172.308 Authorized abbreviations.

- (a) Abbreviations may not be used in a proper shipping name marking except as authorized in this section.
- (b) The abbreviation "ORM" may be used in place of the words "Other Regulated Material."
- (c) Abbreviations which appear as authorized descriptions in column 2 of the §172.101 table (e.g., "TNT" and "PCB") are authorized.

[Amdt. 172–123, 55 FR 52591, Dec. 21, 1990, as amended by Amdt. 172–145, 60 FR 49110, Sept. 21, 1995]

## § 172.310 Class 7 (radioactive) materials.

In addition to any other markings required by this subpart, each package containing Class 7 (radioactive) materials must be marked as follows:

- (a) Each package with a gross mass greater than 50 kg (110 lb) must have its gross mass including the unit of measurement (which may be abbreviated) marked on the outside of the package.
- (b) Each industrial, Type A, Type B(U), or Type B(M) package must be legibly and durably marked on the outside of the packaging, in letters at least 13 mm (0.5 in) high, with the words "TYPE IP-1," "TYPE IP-2," "TYPE IP-3," "TYPE A," "TYPE B(U)" or "TYPE B(M)," as appropriate. A package which does not conform to Type IP-1, Type IP-2, Type IP-3, Type A, Type B(U) or Type B(M) requirements may not be so marked.
- (c) Each package which conforms to an IP-1, IP-2, IP-3 or a Type A package

design must be legibly and durably marked on the outside of the packaging with the international vehicle registration code of the country of origin of the design. The international vehicle registration code for packages designed by a United States company or agency is the symbol "USA."

- (d) Each package which conforms to a Type B(U) or Type B(M) package design must have the outside of the outermost receptacle, which is resistant to the effects of fire and water, plainly marked by embossing, stamping or other means resistant to the effects of fire and water with a radiation symbol that conforms to the requirements of Appendix B of this part.
- (e) Each Type B(U), Type B(M) or fissile material package destined for export shipment must also be marked "USA" in conjunction with the specification marking, or other package certificate identification. (See §§173.471, 173.472, and 173.473 of this subchapter.)

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## § 172.312 Liquid hazardous materials in non-bulk packagings.

- (a) Except as provided in this section, each non-bulk combination package having inner packagings containing liquid hazardous materials, single packaging fitted with vents, or open cryogenic receptacle intended for the transport of refrigerated liquefied gases must be:
  - (1) Packed with closures upward, and
- (2) Legibly marked with package orientation markings that are similar to the illustration shown in this paragraph, on two opposite vertical sides of the package with the arrows pointing in the correct upright direction. The arrows must be either black or red on white or other suitable contrasting background and commensurate with the size of the package. Depicting a rectangular border around the arrows is optional.